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In re Patent No. 7,599,988

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: DECISION ON APPLICATION FOR

: PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT and

: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE

: CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

This is a decision on the petition filed on December 7, 2009, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.705(d) requesting that the patent term adjustment indicated on the aboveidentified patent be corrected to indicate that the term of the above-identified patent is extended or adjusted by 1,217 days.

The petition to correct the patent term adjustment indicated on the above-identified patent is GRANTED TO THE EXTENT INDICATED HEREIN.

As the period from the filing date of the request for continued examination (RCE) to the issue date of the patent is not included in the "B" delay period, the over three year period begins on August 5, 2006 and ends on April 8, 2008, the day before the RCE was filed, and not April 9, 2008 the day of filing of the RCE, as calculated by patentees. See, 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(B)(i). Thus, the over 3 year period is 613 days not 614 days. As such, the correct patent term adjustment is 1,216 days, not 1,217 days.

The Office will sua sponte issue a certificate of correction. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.322, the Office will not issue a certificate of correction without first providing assignee or patentee an opportunity to be heard. Accordingly, patentees are given one (1) month or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this decision to respond. No extensions of time will be granted under § 1.136. See 37 CFR 1.323(a)(4).

The required patent term adjustment application fee of \$200.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(e) has been charged to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 as authorized. No additional fees are required.

The application is being forwarded to the Certificates of Corrections Branch for issuance of a certificate of correction. The Office will issue a certificate of correction indicating that the term of the above-identified patent is extended or adjusted by 1,216 days.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3205.

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Enclosure: Copy of DRAFT Certificate of Correction

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the cover page,

[*] Notice: Subject to any disclaimer, the term of this patent is extended or adjusted under 35 USC 154(b) by 999 days

Delete the phrase "by 999 days" and insert - by 1,216 days--